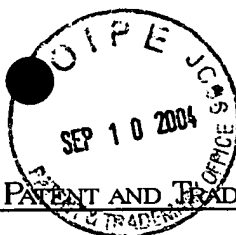


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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of \$504 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$1404 for a Large Entity

- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$504

- \$504 for 28 total claims over 20.

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Serial No.: 10/775,045

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SYSTEM AND METHOD IN FUEL DISPENSER**

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL
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In response to the Notice of Missing Parts mailed May 6, 2004, please find the enclosed payment of \$2,354.00, which includes a \$130.00 fee in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e), \$770.00 basic filing fee, \$504.00 for additional claims, and a \$950.00 extension of time fee in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). Please consider this a petition therefor. The inventor declaration is included with this response.

Applicant also respectfully requests correction of the filing receipt. The Attorney Docket Number listed on the filing receipt is incorrect. The Attorney Docket Number should be "2400-756E." Enclosed please find a copy of the filing receipt with the changes marked to correct the Attorney Docket Number. If any additional fees are required in association with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to change them to Deposit Account 50-1732.

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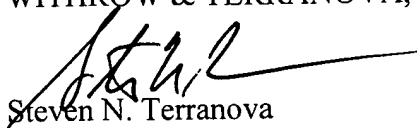
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